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EXAMINING GROUP 1624**

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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated March 11, 2005 and further to the Notice of Appeal filed February 28, 2005, the Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment in the above-identified case:

There are no Amendments to the Specification.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected on the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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